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## Where Are We At?

As the result of a strike in the mines of the North American Collieries at Drumheller and Coal Collieries of the West, and the arrangement of the Minister of Labor that O.B.U. men were not to be employed in the mines, and that dues to the United Mine Workers of America were to be deducted from the pay of all men working in the mines, was set aside.

It is nearly a year ago since the minister made the arrangement and out of it came the strike of the representatives of the mine operators and the U.M.W.A., to be enforced by governmental authority represented by himself. At the time it was represented that it was a triumph of socialism. "It means the smashing of the O.B.U." The present premier said it was the alternative to freezing the population of the prairies during the past winter. As a result of the strike, coal miners in several of the mines and thereby seriously lessened the production of coal last winter. Now when we are approaching another winter it is set aside, and the O.B.U. is being destroyed. Instead of the O.B.U. being destroyed, apparently it has been re-established more strongly than ever.

The arrangement made or sanctioned by the minister was improper from every point of view. The attempt to hand over the mines of Alberta to the U.M.W.A., to the exclusion of any honest citizen who wanted to work there, was a violation of the principles of socialism. But what about the rest of the mines? Are they to be bound by the old arrangement, or are they free to make such other arrangements as may be suitable to their circumstances or convenience?

No doubt there is a fair field for the activity of a right minded minister of labor dealing with the difficulties that necessarily arise out of the opening of coal mines. But it is necessary that sound judgment should be fully appreciated of the interest of the consumers. In the result of any adjustment that may be made, there has yet been shown by the present minister,

A Correction.

L. B. Elliott, district engineer for the Dominion government informs the Bulletin that the government has no intention of closing or removing the immigration hall. What is contemplated is the removal of the hall at the rear of the main building. Also that repairs and renovations of the main building are being considered.

No doubt Mr. Elliott is stating the intentions of the government correctly. Unfortunately that is not just the way in which the government has in its own statement of intentions. The Bulletin received through the mail in the ordinary course the following notice, not as an advertisement, but as a matter of information,

SELLS BUILDINGS.

SALVAGED BUILDINGS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender Received" at Edmonton, Alberta, and transmitted to the office of the Canadian Press, 1010 - 10th Avenue East, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, for the purchase of Immigration Hall No. 1, 1010 - 10th Avenue East, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, West corner of 10th Avenue and 10th Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. The party whose tender is accepted

must make cash payment before buildings are removed.

Buildings will be removed from the interior.

Information may be obtained

on application to the undersigned.

As accepted above on a checked back

copy to the order of the Minister of

Labour, or to the person referred to

in the map is quite worth while

when points in the Northland are

under consideration.

## Current Comment

## PROTESTING IN WOOLLEN

New York Tribune.

A prominent woolen goods selling

agent cited a case yesterday in which

clothing manufacturer at \$4 a yard

whole sale was paying less than \$2.50

apiece, only to be shown in one

newspaper as the result of a strike

in New York establishment at \$5.

KANSAS WHEAT CROP

Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Secretary Mohler at Kansas, one of

the principal wheat growing areas

of the country, estimates the yield of wheat

in the prairie states to be

approximately 100 million bushels.

Undoubtedly the break of the

strike—really an outlaw disturbance

of the wheat market—has created a

lasting stimulus to the morale of

the National Guard and the

League of Patriotic Sons.

THE TARIFTE.—"COMMISSIONERS"

Regina Leader.

Regina has three commissioners

of coal miners who are coming West

in September entitled to be called

the "commissioners of the cabinet"—that is the cabinet of the cabinet.

To the Western mind the wonder is

that Hon. J. A. Clutter is so well

known to the public.

But apparently "direct action"

is only the highest law when ap-

plied "by" them. It is far other

when applied "to" them. It is

good work for them to stop the

mines and stop the coal from

power and from the cities and

the steamers and from the

trains and from the

steamship and from the









